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In re Application of: **Makoto HAZAMA**

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For: **METHOD OF DETERMINING A BASE SEQUENCE FOR NUCLEIC
ACID**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of this document is attached. The document was cited in a corresponding Chinese patent application.

The reference discloses a method of base sequence determination in which the process includes the steps of separating the obtained data into different regions that overlap each other and performing waveform shaping by Fourier transformation on each region, but the base sequence determination is carried out after completing all of the waveform shaping steps. Also, the reference does not teach that a peak interval to be used as a parameter of a waveform shaping by Fourier transformation is a value obtained at a preceding step, not a previously set value.

No fee or certification is required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement, since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first official action on the merits or expiration of the three month period following filing of the above-captioned application.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

Respectfully submitted,

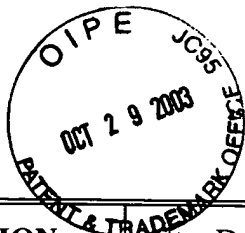
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